



**H.Res. 728 – Expressing the support and sympathy of the House of Representatives and the people of the United States for the victims of the devastating flooding that occurred across many parts of Ohio in August 2007 and commending the communities, volunteer organizations, churches and emergency response agencies for their continuing work to restore the affected areas across the state.**

### **FLOOR SITUATION**

H.Res. 728 is being considered on the House floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Jim Jordan (R-OH) on October 10, 2007. The bill was reported out of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform by unanimous consent on October 23, 2007.

H.Res. 728 is expected to be considered on the House floor on October 29, 2007.

### **SUMMARY**

H.Res. 728 resolves that the House of Representatives:

- Expresses its support and profoundest sympathy for the victims of the devastating flooding that occurred across much of Ohio and the surrounding region in August 2007;
- Conveys its gratitude to the local, State and Federal officials and emergency personnel who responded to this emergency and continue working to restore normalcy in the affected counties;
- Thanks the many volunteers, charitable organizations, business and individual donors, churches and religious organizations for their generosity in responding to this crisis; and
- Commends the people of Ohio for their indomitable spirit and for the grace and magnanimity with which they have supported one another during the flooding and continuing recovery.

### **BACKGROUND**

During the week of August 19, 2007, Ohio and parts of the upper Midwest experienced record storms and flooding.

The storms and flooding were responsible for eighteen deaths, and more than 500 citizens were forced to evacuate.

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